UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

----X VIRGINIA MILANES, OMAR MIGUEL FARFAN, MANUEL ALBERTO MARTINEZ, ANDRES GIOVANNY SANCHEZ, NANCY CASTRO, and MARGOTH PEREZ DE CHALAMPA, on behalf of themselves and all other similarly situated individuals,

08 Civ. 2354 (LMM)

Plaintiffs,

-against-

MICHAEL CHERTOFF, in his official capacity as Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, EMILIO GONZALEZ, in his official capacity as Director of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, ANDREA QUARANTILLO, in her official capacity as District Director of the New York City District of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, MICHAEL B. MUKASEY, in his official capacity as Attorney General of the United States, and ROBERT S. MUELLER, III, in his official capacity as Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation,

Defendants.	
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DECLARATION OF ANDRES GIOVANNY SANCHEZ

- I, Andres Giovanny Sanchez hereby declare and say, that the following statements are true and correct under penalty of perjury:
 - 1. I am a resident of New York County where I live with my parents.
 - 2. I have been a lawful permanent resident of the United States since on or about November 28, 1999.
 - 3. I was born on November 30, 1978 in San Francisco de Macoris, Dominican Republic. I married my wife Enelli in the Dominican Republic on September 21, 2001. We have a five-year-old son who was born in May 2002. Both my wife and

- my son continue to reside in the Dominican Republic. I want to sponsor my wife and child once I have obtained US citizenship
- 4. I have been employed as a town car driver for the past four years for the same company.
- 5. I filed my N-400 naturalization application on or about December 20, 2004 in satisfaction of the statutory and regulatory requirements.
- 6. I had my biometric appointment on February 11, 2005 at which time my fingerprints were taken by USCIS. (See Exhibit)
- 7. I had my naturalization interview and examination on October 13, 2005 and was told that I had passed the requisite tests and would receive a written decision about my application. (See Exhibit 7)
- 8. To this date, I have still not received any decision on my application.
- 9. I made an appointment to meet with an immigration officer concerning the status of my application for naturalization on February 28, 2006. At that appointment I was notified that my application was pending receipt for security checks, and that a decision would be made upon receipt of all security checks. (Lee & 4 his it 39):
- 10. I made subsequent inquiries to USCIS on the status of my application and received similar responses on June 20, 2006; July 12, 2006; January 10, 2007; March 19, 2007; April 11, 2007; November 2, 2007; and January 28, 2008. (See Exhibit**)
- 11. In April 2007, I contacted the office of U.S. Senator Hillary Clinton for assistance. Senator=s Clinton office contacted the Federal Bureau of Investigations whose email response dated October 3, 2007 confirmed that A[a] review of the [FBI=s] Name Check Program database concerning [my application] revealed that the request was received from [USCIS] on January 8, 2005 and is currently in process

... an exact date for completion of review can not be given (See Exhibit "5").

- 12. I want to register to vote and participate in the presidential elections, but I am not yet eligible. I fear that the USCIS delays in processing naturalization will deprive me of this important opportunity. As a new citizen and taxpayer, I am concerned about my adopted country. My right to vote is very important to me.
- 13. As of this date, my naturalization application has not been adjudicated. It has been over 38 months since I submitted my naturalization application and over 28 months since the date of my examination.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Executed this 29th day of March, 2008.

Andres Giovanny Sanchez

DBI TENPRINTER Applicant Information Worksheet (AIW)

When you have completed this worksheet, turn it into the receptionist. Have this worksheet, your appointment notification letter and picture identification available.

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Form N-652 (Rev. 01/14/05)N



Citizenship and Naturalization Service

February 28, 2006

26 Federal Plaza New York, NY 10278

Re: A 47136304

Dear Mr. Sir/ Madam.

This will acknowledge receipt of your inquiry dated February 28, 2006 regarding the status of your application for naturalization.

Please be advised that his application is pending receipt for security checks. Upon receipt of all security checks, a decision will be made on your application for naturalization.

We hope the information provided is helpful. Thank you for your patience and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely.

Julissa Pabon

Immigration Information Officer

Naturalization

New York District

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Department of Homeland Security Citizenship and Immigration Services

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Hand Delivered

26 Federal Plaza New York, NY 10278 June 20, 2006

Andres Sanchez 200 Nagle Avenue, 1-J New York, NY 10034

Dear Applicant:

This will acknowledge receipt of your inquiry dated June 20,2006 regarding the status of your application for naturalization.

Please be advised that your application is pending receipt for security checks. Upon receipt of all security checks, a decision will be made on your application for naturalization.

We hope the information provided is helpful. Thank you for your patience and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

C. Hernandez

Immigration Information Officer

Naturalization Section

New York District

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GIVE THIS YOUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION!



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Information requested:

FOR REVIEW AND RESPONSE. DUE BY 8/11/2006

STATUS OF N-400.

Information furnished:

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT ACCORDING TO USCIS RECORDS, APPLICANT'S CASE IS CURRENTLY PENDING SECURITY AGENCY CHECKS. ONCE A RESPONSE IS RECEIVED, THE CASE WILL BE ADJUDICATED ACCORDINGLY.

Approved by:

Jacob Javits Federal Building 26 Federal Plaza New York,NY 10278



Wednesday, January 10, 2007

ANDRES SANCHEZ 200 NAGLE AVENUE, APT # 1-J NEW YORK NY 10034

Dear Andres Sanchez:

On 10/20/2006 you, or the designated representative shown below, contacted us about your case. Some of the key information given to us at that time was the following:

Caller indicated they are:

The applicant

Attorney Name:

Information not available

Case type:

N400

Filing date:

12/20/2004

Receipt #:

ESC*001347415

Beneficiary (if you filed for someone else):

Sanchez, Andres

Your USCIS Account Number (A-number):

A047136304

Type of service requested:

Case Status - Outside Processing Time

The status of this service request is:

The processing of your case has been delayed. A check of our records establishes that your case is not yet ready for decision, as the required investigation into your background remains open.

Until the background investigation is completed, we cannot move forward on your case. These background checks are required to be completed on all applicants who apply for the immigration benefit you are seeking. We will make every effort to make a decision on this case as soon as the background checks are complete. If you do not receive a decision or other notice of action from us within 6 months of this letter, please contact us by calling our customer service number provided below.

If you have any further questions, please call the National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283.

Please remember: By law, every person who is not a U.S. citizen and who is over the age of 14 must also notify the Department of Homeland Security within 10 days from when they move (persons in "A" or "G" nonimmigrant status are exempt from this requirement). If you have moved, please complete a Form AR-11 and mail it to the address shown on that form. If you do not have this form, you can download it from our website or you can call the National Customer Service Center at 1-800-375-5283 and we can order one for you. If you move, please call us with your new address information as soon as your move is complete. If you have already called us and given us this information, you do not need to call again.

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Jacob Javits Federal Building 26 Federal Plaza New York NY 10278



Monday, March 19, 2007

ANDRES SANCHEZ 200 NAGLE AVENUE, APT # 1-J NEW YORK NY 10034

Dear Andres Sanchez:

On 03/08/2007 you, or the designated representative shown below, contacted us about your case. Some of the key information given to us at that time was the following:

Caller indicated they are:

The applicant

Attorney Name:

Information not available

Case type:

N400

Filing date:

12/20/2004

Receipt #:

ESC*001347415

Beneficiary (if you filed for someone else):

Sanchez, Andres

Your USCIS Account Number (A-number):

A047136304

Type of service requested:

Non-delivery

The status of this service request is:

The processing of your case has been delayed. A check of our records establishes that your case is not yet ready for decision, as the required investigation into your background remains open.

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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services



Department of Homeland Security Citizenship and Immigration Services

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26 Federal Plaza New York, NY 10278

April 11, 2007

Andres Giovanny Sanchez 200 Nagle Avenue, #1-J New York, NY 10034

Dear Applicant:

This will acknowledge receipt of your inquiry dated April 11, 2007 regarding the status of your application for naturalization.

Please be advised that your application is **pending receipt for security checks.** Upon receipt of all security checks, decision will be made on your application for naturalization.

We hope the information provided is helpful. Thank you for your patience and cooperation in this matter.

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Immigration Information Officer

Citizenship and Immigration Services

Naturalization Section

New York District

Jacob Javits Federal Building 26 Federal Plaza New York, NY 10278



Friday, November 2, 2007

ANDRES SANCHEZ 200 NAGLE AVE. APT# 1-J NEW YORK NY 10034

Dear Andres Sanchez:

On 11/02/2007 you, or the designated representative shown below, contacted us about your case. Some of the key information given to us at that time was the following:

Caller indicated they are:

Applicant or Petitioner

Attorney Name:

Information not available

Case type:

N400

Filing date:

12/20/2004

Receipt #:

ESC*001347415

Beneficiary (if you filed for someone else):

Information not available

Your USCIS Account Number (A-number):

A047136304

Type of service requested:

Other.

The status of this service request is:

The processing of your case has been delayed. A check of our records establishes that your case is not yet ready for decision, as the required investigation into your background remains open.

Until the background investigation is completed, we cannot move forward on your case. These background checks are required to be completed on all applicants who apply for the immigration benefit you are seeking. We will make every effort to make a decision on this case as soon as the background checks are complete. If you do not receive a decision or other notice of action from us within 6 months of this letter, please contact us by calling our customer service number provided below.

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U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services



Department of Homeland Security Citizenship and Immigration Services

A47 136 304

26 Federal Plaza New York, NY 10278

January 28, 2008

Andres Sanchez 200 Nagle Street # 1-J New York, New York 10034

Dear Applicant:

This will acknowledge receipt of your inquiry dated November 21, 2007 regarding the status of your application for naturalization.

Please be advised that your application is pending receipt of security checks. Upon receipt of all security checks, a decision will be made on your application for naturalization.

We hope the information provided is helpful. Thank you for your patience and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

George Evertz

Immigration Information Officer Citizenship and Immigration Services Naturalization Section

New York District

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-3204

October 3, 2007

Mr. Andres Sanchez 200 Nagle Ave Apt 1-J New York, New York 10034

Dear Mr. Sanchez:

Thank you for contacting my office with your matter. I have contacted the F.B.I. on your behalf – attached is the response to my inquiry. I hope this information will be of help to you.

If I can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact my office again.

Sincerely yours,

Hillary Rodham Clinton

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Filed 09/05/2008

From: Spinola, Theresa M. **Sent:** Wed 10/3/2007 11:17 AM To: Mendez, Luz (Clinton) **Subject:** Name Check Request

Please advise constituents that the FBI does not expedite name check requests. The customer agency determines the expedited handling of name checks

I am responding to your facsimile dated July 10, 2007, concerning the name check status of Andres Sanchez for immigration purposes.

A review of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI's) Name Check Program database concerning Andres revealed that the request was received from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) on January 8, 2005 and is currently in process.

The FBI processes millions of name check requests each year with each requiring thoughtful consideration. We know how important this information must be to your constituent; however, the FBI must also balance the need for national security in preparing the response to each of these requests. The FBI's homeland security mission requires that our name check process be primarily focused on an accurate and thorough result. While an exact date for completion of review cannot be given, your constituent may be assured that the results will be made available to the immigration authorities as quickly as possible.

I trust this information will assist you in responding to your constituent. Should you have further questions, please refer to the FBI's internet site, www.fbi.gov. This site provides excellent information on the name check process. In the event that you require further assistance, please do not hesitate to call the FBI's Office of Congressional Affairs.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Cannon/tms Section Chief National Name Check Program Records Management Division Federal Bureau of Investigation